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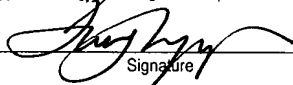
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- (1) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application (A) 8-335149 (CANON INC), published December 17, 1996; and
- (2) Japanese Patent No. (B2) 3337871 (CANON INC), issued August 9, 2002.

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